SENATE BILL 1352

By Bailey

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 50; Section 55-7-203 and Section 55-7-205, relative to overdimensional and overweight loads that are permitted and nondivisible.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-7-205(h)(5)(H), is amended by adding the following sentence at the end of the subdivision immediately preceding the semi-colon:

Any such vehicle that has obtained an annual permit, may obtain a supplement to that annual permit for any additional width, height, or length set forth in this subdivision (h)(5)(H), or any additional weight covered by the annual permit according to the fees established in this subsection (h)

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-7-205(I)(2)(A), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting instead the following:

- (A) Shall not allow movement of vehicles requiring an escort on the interstate system of highways between the hours of seven o'clock a.m. (7:00 a.m.) to nine o'clock a.m. (9:00 a.m.) and four o'clock p.m. (4:00 p.m.) to six o'clock p.m. (6:00 p.m.) from Monday through Friday in counties having a population exceeding two hundred fifty thousand (250,000), according to the 2010 federal census or any subsequent federal census, except those movements originating in or destined to such counties; and SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-7-203, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:
 - (d) For purposes of subsection (c), a vehicle transporting fluid milk products shall be considered a nondivisible load.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-50-102(12)(B)(i), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting instead the following language:

(i) Vehicles that are controlled and operated by a farmer or nursery worker that are used to transport either agricultural products, farm machinery, or farm supplies to or from a farm or nursery, and are not used in the operations of a common or contract motor carrier;

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-50-405, is amended by deleting subsection (f).

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.